

Bird Health Awareness Week November 1-7, 2010

Bird lovers, poultry owners, students, and teachers from across the country are invited to observe the week-long salute!

From coast to coast, all week long we want to let everyone know that raising poultry is fun and keeping your birds safe and healthy is important. Bird Health Awareness Week is part of the USDA's Biosecurity For Birds campaign (http://healthybirds.aphis.usda.gov), to promote awareness about the diseases that threaten bird health and the ways to prevent the spread of infectious poultry diseases.

Get involved!

Join In:

- Plan an activity for your group or organization centered around keeping birds healthy. The Biosecurity For Birds campaign has materials and information to help support your program.
- Send us information and photos about your upcoming Bird Health Awareness activities.
 Your program might be featured on our website and in press placements during the week.

During Bird Health Awareness Week:

- Participate in our webinar* featuring Andy Schneider, the "Chicken Whisperer," host of a national online radio show with advice about keeping backyard poultry and living a sustainable lifestyle.
 - *Check the website in early fall for date and time.

- Follow Biosecurity For Birds on at twitter.com/APHISgov as we send daily "tweets" on tips and information on keeping birds healthy. We encourage you to "tweet" about your activities and about the importance of raising healthy birds.
- On November 1, the winner of the Name the Healthy Bird Contest will be announced!

For the first time, the Biosecurity For Birds rooster will have a name that suits his personality. Enter the contest now at

http://healthybirds.aphis.usda.gov.

To request materials and information to support your program, visit:

http://healthybirds.aphis.usda.gov

